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**GYMNASTICS INSTRUCTOR INDICTED FOR POSSESSING CHILD  
PORNOGRAPHY AND MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS TO THE FBI**

**SAVANNAH, GA:** Lisa Godbey Wood, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, announced today that on June 8, 2006, a federal grand jury sitting in Savannah returned a two-count Indictment against William Allen McCabe, who recently operated the Savannah Metro Gymnastics facility located in Rincon, Georgia. The Indictment, unsealed today during McCabe's initial appearance before United States Magistrate Judge G.R. Smith, charges McCabe with possessing child pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B) and making false statements to an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

McCabe was arrested today on the federal charges by agents from the FBI. The government moved for pre-trial detention of McCabe during McCabe's initial appearance. He remains in federal custody pending a formal detention hearing that will be scheduled by the Court.

If convicted, McCabe faces a maximum penalty of ten years imprisonment for the possession of child pornography charge and five years imprisonment for the false statements

charge, a fine of up to \$250,000.00, up to three years of supervised release, along with a \$100.00 special assessment per count.

Ms. Wood stressed that an indictment is only an accusation, and it is not evidence of guilt. The defendant is entitled to a fair trial, during which it will be the Government's burden to prove his guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The case was investigated by Special Agent Joshua Hayes from the Savannah office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Special Agent John Barry of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and detectives from the Rincon, Georgia Police Department. The United States is represented by Assistant United States Attorney Robert M. Brennan.

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